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GROW A GOOD GARDEN

A good garden means good eating and a smaller grocery bill.

1. Prepare soil thoroughly before planting.
2. Use only the best seeds and plants of recommended varieties purchased from reliable sources. Refer to your copy of the Virginia Garden Suggestions - Circular 475.
3. Use 5-10-5 or 4-12-4 fertilizer at rate of 1000 pounds per acre.
4. During April plant: string beans, beets, carrots, sweet corn, parsnips, radishes, spinach, turnip salad. Set onions and cabbage and plant potatoes if not already done.
During May plant: lima beans, both bush and pole, cucumbers, okra, sweet peppers, pumpkins, salsify, squash, melons. Set out egg plants, sweet potatoes and tomatoes.
5. Plant at least one new vegetable this Spring.
6. Start early to control insects and diseases in your garden.

Use $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent ready prepared rotenone dust or 10 tablespoonfuls of 5 per cent rotenone to 3 gallons water as a spray.

For plant lice or aphids - use 1 tablespoonful of 40 per cent nicotine sulphate and one ounce of flake soap to 1 gallon of water.

For harlequin, squash bug and green stink bug - use 20 per cent sabadilla dust.

For potato insects and diseases - use a dust containing 7 per cent copper and 3 per cent DDT.

IT PAYS TO CAN VEGETABLES AND FRUITS!

1. Start early and continue until late Fall.
2. Plan to can early garden peas, asparagus, and berries.
3. See that your pressure canner is working properly. If the gauge isn't working properly, replace it. Cost about \$2.50.
3. Grow one acre of ladino clover for each two or three sows kept.
4. Keep mineral mixture before hogs at all times.
5. A good mixture is 5 pounds of ground limestone to 1 pound of salt.

HOW ARE YOUR BABY CHICKS DOING?

1. Use litter on floor such as shavings, sand, straw, crushed cobs or peanut hulls. Change or add to but do not stir.
2. Keep plenty of growing mash and fresh clean water before chickens.
3. Avoid overcrowding. Each chicken needs $\frac{1}{2}$ square foot of floor space. Also avoid overheating or chilling.
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5. If you don't own a pressure canner - buy one this Summer. It cuts canning time and food spoilage.
6. Buy fruit jars early.

CLEAN UP THIS SPRING -

Inside and outside the house and make your home a safer, healthier and prettier place to live.

IT'S POOR MONEY MANAGEMENT TO:

1. Buy food you can raise and can at home.
2. Buy feed for livestock you can grow on your farm.
3. Buy things you don't actually need. Limit major purchases to things that will increase income.
4. Put off making minor repairs to buildings and equipment until they become major repairs.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR HOGS - - THEY LEAN MONEY - \$ \$ \$

Diseases and parasites cause a heavy loss in hogs each year. Sanitation, prevention and treatment where necessary can reduce loss.

To avoid trouble:

1. Keep pigs on pasture, rotate pastures and lots used by hogs every year.
2. Keep suckling pigs from older animals except their mothers.
3. Isolate any animals brought to the farm.

Treatment for worms:

1. Pigs can best be treated after they have been weaned and are adjusted to feed, usually when about 10 weeks old.
2. Use a second treatment when pigs are around 4 months old if needed.

Feeding:

1. Begin creep feeding when pigs are 3 weeks old.
2. A good feed for hogs; (a) Ladino clover - all he can get. (b) Use self feeder with corn or grain in one compartment and 40 per cent protein supplement in other.
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